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Ms. Kimberly Colloton,

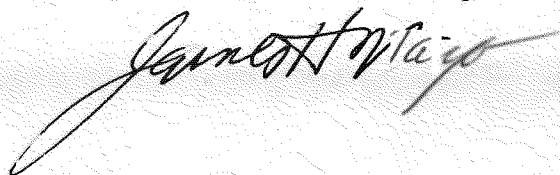
We are writing to express our support of Rosemont Copper. They have gone through intensive scrutiny and have worked hard to adequately and successfully address environmental concerns. It is clear to us that they will minimize their impact on nature, while supplying a greatly needed resource. A boost to our local economic welfare through jobs and tax revenue, a boost to our national economic welfare through lessened pressures on copper imports, and a boost to the environmental standard of mining in the United States through Rosemont's water techniques throughout their operations and clear stewardship beyond the mine.

It is critical that the people in Pima County be given quality opportunities to provide for their families, and yet the continuing delays that have been put upon Rosemont are only holding those opportunities back. It is clear from the recent positive review of the environmental impact statement from the Forest Service, along with the countless approvals prior, that local, state and federal agencies agree and see the merit in Rosemont. I hope the Army Corps will as well.

So please, help stay the course and approve the 404 permit today.
Finalize your record of decision as soon as possible.

In appreciation,

James and Patricia Mayo

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James Mayo", written in dark ink.

The above letter was also sent to: Tom Vilsack, John McHugh, Jo-Ellen Darcy, Gina McCarthy, and Michael Boots.

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Colonel Kimberly Colloton, US Army Corps:

Arizona is the United States' main producer of copper. Economically speaking, it makes complete sense that Arizonans should benefit from the jobs, money, and tax revenue that go with mining the copper. Rosemont Copper will give Arizonans this opportunity, and will do so in such a way that the environment will also be taken care of. The combination of modernized mining techniques to protect and reduce water use including dry stack tailings, environmental regulation and oversight, and improved awareness of the value of natural resources means that the environment will not suffer from this mine in any way.

Federal and state agencies have approved this project, and there's no reason the US Army Corps of Engineers shouldn't do the same. As part of the Environmental Impact Statement, historic, cultural, scenic and recreational values were studied, and I understand your agency will review the Forest Service's analysis as part of your decision making process. Rosemont's plans, as the EIS analysis shows, the Rosemont site is not a national park or a national scenic area. The area does have a significant history of mining and that is deeply rooted in our culture here. Above and beyond the strict environmental standards and policies employed at the mine property and their mitigation plans, Rosemont Copper has committed to permanently conserve 4,500 acres of land for the public along with

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allocating more than 550 million gallons a year of private surface water to the public.

So much study has been completed. Please stick to the facts and ignore political special interests. I look forward to your timely approval of Rosemont's 404 permit.

Respectfully,

Douglas and Mary Austin



A copy of this letter will be sent to the following individuals:

Gina McCarthy, EPA
Tom Vilsack, USDA
John McHugh, US Army
Jo-Ellen Darcy, USACE
Michael Boots, White House Council on Environmental Quality

3/5/14

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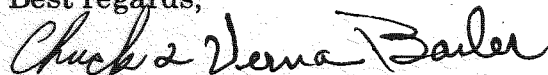
Dear Colonel Colloton,

We want to express our support for The Rosemont Copper mine and ask for your swift approval of their 404 water permit. The mine is sorely needed to improve Arizona's struggling economy. They address all the relevant issues, such as bringing in more than 400 new, good-paying jobs, supporting thousands more in the region over the 20+ years of the mine's life, and bringing in an additional \$700 million in local economic stimulus each year.

But Rosemont is more than just an economic stimulus. They have continually shown concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. Copper is an incredibly important metal, used in everything from medical devices to military equipment. The ability to produce it in the US and not have to rely on outside sources is significant. As for protection, Rosemont will minimize impacts to the environment, using only one-third of the water used by traditional mines and leaving a much smaller footprint.

The U.S. Forrest Service, as well as many other agencies, have completed detailed evaluations and issued a Record of Decision to approve Rosemont. Thank you in advance for your thorough and thoughtful review - now let's finalize it!

Best regards,



Charles and Verna Bailer
Rosemont Mine Supporters
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PS - THE MINE WILL GIVE DECENT PAY TO INDIVIDUALS
THAT DO NOT HAVE A COLLEGE EDUCATION - "NO POLITICS"
TUCSON NEEDS THESE TYPE OF JOBS!

Howard and Betty Grant

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U.S. Army Corps, Colonel Colloton,

We are very strong supporters of Rosemont Copper and all of the incredible things they propose. We welcome the mine's completed development, as well as the suite of economic benefits to be gained. The contribution to our community and area is vast and deeply needed.

Having said this, we would like to ask you to follow the U.S. Forest Service's approval (FEIS and ROD) by issuing ^{the} the very last federal permit required – the 404 permit. We greatly value the insights and diligence you contributed to the Forest Service's final document that guided the approval in the Record of Decision.

Arizona, like most of the U.S., has been in a recession for much too long. Families are struggling to make ends meet, businesses are closing up shop because residents aren't buying, the education sector is suffering, and our fire and police are underpaid. As you already know, Rosemont will cure these ailments and they'll do so with little environmental impact.

Our waters will be protected during and after the life of the mine, thanks to Rosemont's forethought to store water ahead of time and the recycling

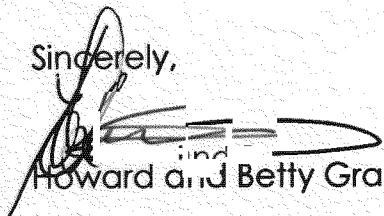
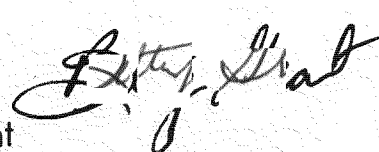
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techniques they will utilize throughout operations such as dry tailings. Their conservation program will further protect thousands of acres of land for the public and hundreds of millions of gallons of surface water – streams and creeks – for the public.

For all of these reasons and more, they should receive their 404 permit. We can't afford to wait any longer for Rosemont. The decision must be made now, for the good of Arizona. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

 and 
Howard and Betty Grant

A copy of this letter has also been sent to Tom Vilsack, John McHugh, Jo-
Ellen Darcy, Gina McCarthy, and Michael Boots.

March 5, 2014

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Colonel Kimberly Colloton:

The Rosemont Copper mine is the opportunity that our community needs. Please make this happen as soon as possible by issuing the 404 permit.

Rosemont's plan is an answer to a big problem that we have had here for a while - the problem of unemployment. Rosemont will create thousands of well-paying jobs, and this community has too many people out of work or underemployed. Good people like my brother need work. More jobs means a stronger, more cohesive community.

The fact of the matter is that Rosemont will bring about so many more benefits to our community, the area - and the industry - than the minor adverse impacts.

The project's benefits reach beyond the Pima County and Arizona border as well. Our country needs copper, and developing domestic resources increases our country's value of national output of goods because we import less of these raw materials and metals.

Of course the permit you are issuing is a water permit - Rosemont will use significantly less - about 60% less than traditional mining operations. The use of dry stack tailings will surely revolutionize the entire industry. And the thorough and meticulously analyzed studies show our water is safe.

Thank you for your consideration to these and all the facts of this proposed project. I'm confident that when fully considered, you will agree with the countless regulatory agencies that have already approved Rosemont.

Sincerely,



John and Carolyn Marquis
3476 W Marlene Street
Tucson, AZ 85741

To: Col. Colloton, US Army Corps of Engineers Los Angeles District
CC: Jo-Ellen Darcy, Tom Vilsack, Gina McCarthy, Michael Boots, John McHugh

Colonel Colloton-

Our need for Rosemont's planned copper mine is greater than ever. It is clear to anyone with eyes to see how important and necessary it is that Rosemont be given the final approvals to move ahead with their plans.

Our technological and economic future absolutely depends on the mining of copper, a resource which has really been the life's blood of this state since its beginning! The demand for copper throughout the country, in a wide array of areas, is so high. Medicine, renewables, and even the defense industry rely on copper. We have the resource, we have the people anxious and ready to go to work to mine it, and we have a soaring debt and high unemployment rate that is begging for relief!

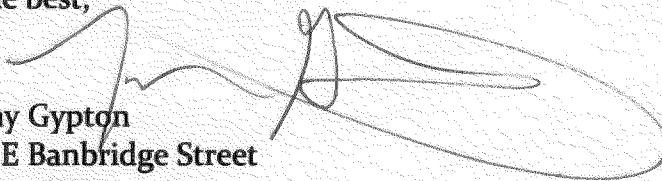
Rosemont has gone above and beyond when meeting the public's concerns about the environment. Rosemont will also conserve 4,500 acres of pristine land, and allocate 550 million gallons a year of private surface water rights to the public. Not to mention using the least amount of water of any other mine in the area - less than our golf courses and pecan farms as well!

Economically Rosemont just cannot be ignored, especially when looking at their benefits to the local community and how they will contribute to the many needed improvements in the local economic base. The 2,900 jobs and huge increase in tax revenue will certainly lead to an increase in the welfare of the people in Pima County.

The Forest Service has approved Rosemont through their official Record of Decision, which is being finalized. Surely that counts for something. The only logical thing to do at this point is to lend your final approval of Rosemont's 404 permit. Thank you for issuing their permit today.

All the best,

Jeremy Gypton
9640 E Banbridge Street
Tucson, AZ 85747

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeremy Gypton', is written over the typed name and address. The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

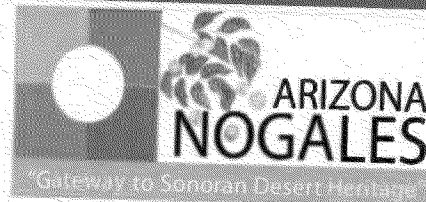


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March 7, 2014

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Dear Col. Colloton:

As President/CEO of the Nogales-Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce established in 1914, I have seen how critical a mine can be to a community's local economy and future. Not only does mining bring numerous employment opportunities, but it also provides secure and well paying jobs for a definite amount of time. With a high unemployment rate for the over 47,000 residents in Santa Cruz County, the Rosemont Copper Mine project will be a vital boost to our county's future economic stability.

Opportunities can be found not only in the vast amount of underground minerals. Significant expansion of the mining industry and high levels of investment in the sector are also creating opportunities for a wide range of players in many ancillary industries. Rosemont Copper will bring 1600 indirect jobs annually and business opportunities in sectors such as construction, retail/wholesale, utilities, real estate and technology services to our struggling families and businesses in Southern Arizona.

Today's mining has incorporated state-of-the-art environmentally friendly technologies, as well as safety procedures and infrastructures to yield high quality products that meet international market standards. Rosemont Copper is committed to sustainable projects that prioritize the safety of mineworkers, environmental responsibility, collaborating with communities and working with the businesses where they operate.

Many are concerned that mines have detrimental effects on the wildlife in the area. Rosemont Copper has made this respective concern a high priority. In their recent Final Environmental Impact Statement, Rosemont Copper received high rankings for addressing this and other concerns through various mitigation commitments.

The Nogales-Santa Cruz Chamber recognizes Rosemont Copper as essential for the betterment of Santa Cruz County. We urge you to continue working through the permitting process expeditiously. In addition, we are hopeful you find, as we have, that Rosemont Copper can provide a unique and much needed opportunity while addressing the best interests of the community at large.

Thank you for allowing me to express our opinion in support of Rosemont Copper. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel in contacting me.

Sincerely,


Olivia Aliza-Kramer

President & CEO

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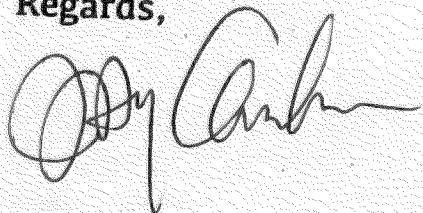
Dear Col. Colloton:

Anyone who knows anything about Arizona's rich history knows that copper is and has been an indispensable part of our economy. The need for copper in this country and in the world has only continued to grow! Rosemont is a way for us to not have to rely on foreign imported copper. There is a national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources, and Rosemont understands this concern. Yes, protecting the environment is important, and continuing to build sustainable technologies is integral to that task.

However, in order to do that, we need copper!! So when the environmentalists continue to delay Rosemont's copper mine, they really are holding back their own interests! The U.S. Forest Service's Record of Decision shows clearly that Rosemont plans to utilize the latest most ecologically sound practices, so we're not talking about the crude, insensitive operations of the past! We're talking about a safe and sane mine that is providing a necessary resource that we *require* to build our hybrid cars, our wind turbines, our solar panels and the like. You should give the Forest Service's determination to move forward, considerable consideration as part of your own review.

I am imploring you to stand up for what you can clearly see is the right course of action; bring this needless commenting period to a close and issue Rosemont their final major permit, their 404 water permit. We need the jobs, we need the copper, and we need to move forward with securing the economy and the future of this state, and this country!

Regards,



Jay Anderson
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A copy of this letter also sent to:
Honorable Tom Vilsack, Honorable Gina McCarthy, Honorable John McHugh,
Honorable Jo-Ellen Darcy and Mr. Michael Boots

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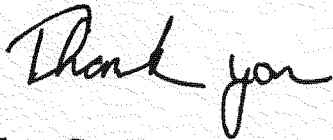
I want you at the Army Corps of Engineers to understand how important I think Rosemont's approval is. From what I have seen over the years of reviews, the environmental impact of their mine will be minimal, and yet the impact on our job market and economic climate will be tremendous! There will be more than \$300 million in local tax dollars that will bring some much-needed relief to the communities' economy.

I have been a long time supporter of Rosemont because they have a vision. They are going about things in the right way, using the most modern equipment, and have reclamation in place right at the outset, and they care about this community. You've seen and studied the plans so I'm not telling you anything you don't already know. Their use of dry stack tailings and the fact that they will use

9% less water than traditional ones are just two examples of how they are going to minimize their environmental impacts.

I have 3 sons with exceptional abilities and training who are in need of good employment and are counting on Rosemont to open so they can put those skills to good use. More delay will only continue to waste the talents of all our idle work force. The Forest Service is moving forward, as I'm sure you know. That should matter to your agency. Please, be sensible and give Rosemont their final permit they need and deserve. It's the right thing to do.

Much appreciated,



Tom Soto





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Dear Col. Colloton,

I am writing on behalf of the Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the 1000+ business members represented by our chamber. First, I would like to commend your efforts on the Rosemont Copper Project in Arizona and the necessary steps you have taken to ensure a smooth permitting process. It is to our understanding that the Corps has conducted a rigorous EIS process and have taken the responsibility for Section 404 permitting. It is encouraging to know that you are trying to make this process as quick and efficient as possible and for that, we thank you.

As a business organization, we are extremely excited for the 2,100 annual jobs that this project will create, the \$701 economic impact on Southern Arizona and the \$1.3 billion national impact to the United States. We are also in favor of our natural resources being produced on American soil. For these reasons, the Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce commends you and your colleagues for your dedication to the success of this project. After a 6 year review process, we encourage you to continue to complete the permitting process as efficiently as possible for the benefit of business and the economy.

Sincerely,

Lea Marquez Peterson
President/CEO
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